Schedule for Q3 research paper

Outline in Noodle Tools due *No-redo…………….*Monday 22 February Quiz

Final Draft due (*submit early and often;terminal*) Monday 29 February Quiz

Final Paper due\_*No Re-Writes………………………* Monday 14 March Paper

Third Quarter ends Thursday 24 March

Below are statements, or propositions. On your research paper, choose ONE of these propositions and then *agree or disagree* with it. *You may choose a topic different* from the ones listed here, but I must approve the topic before you begin to write your paper. Support your argument with *evidence* you find in your research. Whether you agree or disagree has no impact on your grade. The success with which you *support* your argument has a huge impact on your grade. Minimum 750 words (not including Works Cited section), double-spaced, Times New Roman 12 font, one inch margins, MLA format: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/owlprint/747/>

Topics:

1. The United States entered World War II to fulfill its selfish desires as a nation and not, primarily, to better the conditions of humanity.
2. The Cold War was inevitable. Regardless of how the United States presented its intentions, no matter how it communicated with the Soviet Union, the clash of communism and democracy-based capitalism would have led to a war of some kind.
3. The United States was entirely justified in using the atomic bomb to end the conflict with Japan. The Bushido culture forced Truman’s hand.
4. Joe McCarthy, while excessive in his tactics, identified a real problem for America that warranted the harsh actions he supported.
5. The Civil Rights movement of the 1950s expanded democracy for African Americans, and all Americans.
6. The treatment of Japanese Americans during World War II was justified.
7. Presidents (and dictators) should not interfere with military decisions made by military officers. For example, President Truman should not have interfered with MacArthur in Korea.
8. Under no circumstances should the United States sell military arms to other nations.
9. Regardless of the end result, the United States made the correct decision to commit military forces in Vietnam.
10. The attacks, successful and attempted, on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the other seats of government were not planned by Al Qaeda. Other groups executed these attacks as part of a conspiracy.